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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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Chuck Newell
Shoshone, Idaho 83352

Dear Chuck,

We are required by law to notify water users when measurement systems are needed. The Idaho Department of Water Resources is cracking down on measuring all water diverted from the river. I don't know if you are aware of the fact that we hired a new Deputy on your ride, her name is Becca Braun. As we were taking her on her ride I noticed that you need to have meters on your pumps. I would like to talk to you about this before you install them.

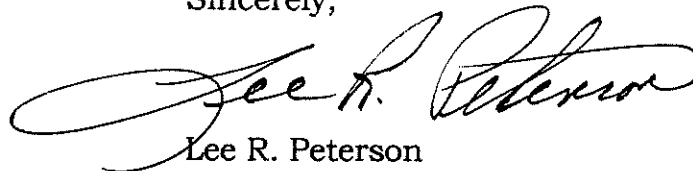
Idaho Code 42-701 states in part:

"The appropriators or users of any public waters of the state of Idaho shall maintain to the satisfaction of the director of the department of water resources suitable headgates and controlling works at the point where their water is diverted. Each device shall be of such construction that it can be locked and kept closed by the watermaster or other officer in charge, and shall also be of such construction as to regulate the flow of water at the diversion point."

If you get the time before you need to start irrigation for this year, stop in or give me a call and I'll come out to your farm and we can discuss the most economical way for you to comply with the requirements.

If we can be of any assistance please feel free to call.

Sincerely,



Lee R. Peterson
Watermaster

CC: Allen Merritt, IDWR



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